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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Inventor: Chou *et al.*

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10/17/02**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231**RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

In the Office Action dated September 18, 2002, designated as Paper No. 5 in the above-captioned application, the Examiner issued an Election Requirement, requiring the Applicant to elect a single disclosed oligomer species from those set forth in claims 2-6, 25-27, and 46; and a single disclosed monomer species from those set forth in claims 8-12 and 29-33.

Applicant elects the oligomer species

HEA~H12MDI~PPG<sub>4000</sub>~H12MDI~PPG<sub>4000</sub>~H12MDI~HEA

of claims 5, 26 and 46. Applicant elects the monomer species  $R_1-O-(CH_2CH_3CHO)_n-$   
COCH=CH<sub>2</sub> of claims 10 and 31.

Applicant notes that prosecution on the merits will be restricted to the above-elected species if no generic claim is held to be allowable.

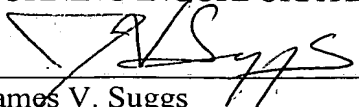
Applicants believe that no extension of time is necessary to make this Response timely. Should Applicants be in error, Applicants respectfully request the Office grant such time extension pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) as necessary to make this Response timely, and hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary fee or surcharge with respect to said time extension to the deposit account of the undersigned firm of attorneys, Deposit Account 03-3325.

Please direct any questions or comments to James V. Suggs at (607) 974-3606.

Respectfully submitted,

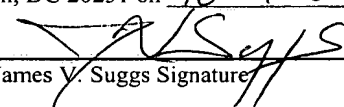
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